

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1904.

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Fall Opening

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New Store!
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Visit our new store and see the Fall styles in Coats, Suits, Skirts, Furs, Waists, Children's Dresses, Dress Goods, etc. Ladies who are interested in wearing apparel or themselves or Children, we shall be pleased to show lines.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Cattle Show Ball at Odeon Hall, October 4.

Mr. E. L. Harvey returned to Brunswick Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheelock Davis returned to Boston Saturday.

Charles Bean returned to his studies at U. of M. yesterday.

Miss Emilie Davis started on her return to Washington, D. C., last Friday.

H. O. Archibald spent Sunday and Monday with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. Alice Allen of South Paris spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Dutton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Pratt and son of Clinton were at A. W. Grover's, Sunday.

Harry W. Purington went to Brunswick, Thursday, where he will enter Bowdoin College.

H. C. Rowe returned from a trip to the Exposition at St. Louis, and other cities, Monday night.

Misses Mabelle and Alice Gibbs of Portland were guests of their uncle, Mr. L. T. Barker, Saturday.

Mrs. S. B. Goodwin has been confined to the house for the past few days by an attack of neuralgia.

The Ladies' Church Aid of the M. E. society will meet with Mrs. Clifton Foster, Thursday afternoon.

Miss Grace Dixon who has been enjoying a vacation with relatives in this village, returned to Augusta, Saturday.

Myrton A. Bryant, principal of the Gorham, N. H., high school, visited his aunt, Mrs. H. H. Annas, over Sunday.

Miss Rose Kimball went to Saco, Saturday, and visited her sister, Mrs. R. C. Clark, before joining E. C. Bowler's St. Louis party, Monday afternoon.

There will be a special meeting of the W. R. C., Thursday evening and a full attendance is desired.

By THE PRESIDENT.

Mrs. J. N. Gehring and daughters who have been visiting Mrs. Gehring's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Wiley, returned to Portland Saturday.

Don't forget the special prize offered by Riverside Park Association for the best pair working horses exhibited at the fair Oct. 4 and 5.

The following letters are advertised at Bethel postoffice:

Miss K. S. Howe,
Mrs. Adelia M. Valentine,
Mr. Frank Gorman.

Mrs. Susan P. Chapman who has been spending the past few weeks with her sister, Mrs. A. S. Ellingwood, in Percy N. H., returned home, Friday.

E. G. Young of Gorham, N. H., was in town Monday. He accompanied Mr. Whitney to Lockes Mills to superintend the placing of tombstones in the village cemetery.

One of the most severe thunderstorms of the season visited Bethel Sunday night. Several trees in the neighborhood were struck by lightning but no other damage has been reported.

Alphonse Van Den Kerckhoven who has been in Massachusetts for the past year and a half returned to Bethel Saturday. He has employment for the winter with the Berlin Mills Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin A. Leach have removed from Springfield, Mass., to Arctic, R. I. Mr. Leach has resumed his former position as foreman of the Gleaner composing room, Phenix.

Mr. C. C. Bryant is enlarging his store at the corner of High and Main streets and when it is completed it will be a commodious place for the enlarged business which is proposed, and will also contain a pleasant rent. About the middle of last week the stock was moved across the street to Odd Fellows' Block, where Mr. Bryant will continue to cater to his many customers until his own store is ready for occupancy.

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All Aboard for St. Louis.

Mr. E. C. Bowler started, last Monday afternoon, from the Union station Portland with about forty of the party of over one hundred who are to visit the St. Louis Exposition. Those starting from Portland went out over the mountain division of the Maine Central, and met the remainder of the party at North Stratford, N. H. This is the second company taken out by Mr. Bowler, the first, composed of sixty-four people and known as the Teachers' Excursion, going in June.

This party will follow in the footsteps of the former, passing yesterday in Montreal, to-day at Niagara Falls, Thursday forenoon at Chicago, and then they will go direct to St. Louis.

The party is made up as follows:

E. C. Bowler,	Bethel
Mrs. E. C. Bowler,	"
E. C. Bowler, Jr.,	"
F. L. Edwards,	"
Gilman Chapman,	"
Rose Kimball,	"
Ernest Walker,	"
Miss Edith Walker,	"
Mrs. Lucinda Bean,	West Bethel
Cora Mason,	"
Allan McLeod	"
C. L. Bartlett,	East Stoneham
Mrs. C. L. Bartlett,	"
Benj. Russell Jr.,	Lovell
Mrs. Russell,	"
F. P. Stone,	Norway
Carl P. Stone,	"
T. A. Wyman,	Dixfield
F. H. Cobb,	Mechanic Falls
R. P. Cobb,	"
Miss Cobb,	"
Mrs. C. C. Bonney,	"
W. G. Pulsifer,	"
Mrs. W. G. Pulsifer,	Bridgton
F. H. Burnham,	"
Mrs. F. H. Burnham,	"
C. F. Caswell,	Harrison
F. H. Preble,	Bingham
Mrs. W. R. Jordan,	"
E. E. Morse,	Millinocket
Mrs. E. E. Morse,	"
Rev. C. E. Young,	"
Mrs. Young,	"
Mrs. Bernard Gibbs,	Madison
Mrs. C. H. Clark,	"
M. W. Clark,	"
Mrs. M. W. Clark,	"
Margaret Hews,	Ashland
Mrs. Geo. Mooers,	"
Mrs. Fern C. Foster,	"
Mrs. P. S. Mooney,	Presque Isle
Mrs. Curtis,	Augusta
W. H. Jackson,	"
Alice Kelley,	"
Mary G. Philbrook,	"
Frank A. Frost,	Lisbon
Walter E. Atwood,	"
Arthur C. Shea,	"
Evelyn A. Jordan,	Dexter
Carolyn Chick,	Bangor
Geo. M. Whibley,	Portland
W. M. Snow,	"
John Kent,	"
Mrs. Roland Kent,	"
J. H. Hamlin,	"
Lettie Peck,	"
Mrs. Barker B. Burbank,	"
Mrs. Howard Elwell,	"
Mrs. Fred Beals,	"
James Tibbetts,	Belgrade
Mrs. James Tibbetts,	"
Abbie E. Nelson,	Oakland
W. C. Fogg,	Freeport
Mrs. W. C. Fogg,	"
C. E. Seabry,	Gulfport
C. F. Blanchard,	"
Geo. E. Morse,	Notch
Mrs. Geo. E. Morse,	Lancaster, N. H.
Mrs. Geo. H. Colby,	"
Mrs. John Eames,	"
Mrs. C. B. Jordan and sons	"
Harry Stinson,	Groveton,
Frank Burbick,	"
I. G. Giberson,	"
Isabel Young,	Colebrook,
Lizzie Young,	"
Nellie Young,	"
Mrs. Carrie Tibbetts,	"
F. R. Jennings,	Gorham,
Mrs. F. R. Jennings,	"
Mrs. A. R. Evans,	"
Mrs. A. B. Moore,	"
C. G. Hamlin,	"
Miss C. Hamlin,	"
Miss C. Buck,	"
H. Simpson,	"
Fred Messenger,	"
Mrs. Fred Messenger,	"
Charles O'Hara,	"
Mrs. Charles O'Hara,	"
Dr. Wilder,	Whitefield,
Mrs. Wilder,	"
Mrs. Alley,	Littleton,
Miss Alley,	"
H. W. Temple,	"
Mrs. H. W. Temple,	"
Mrs. R. N. Chamberlin,	Berlin,
C. J. Cote,	"
Mrs. C. J. Cote,	"
W. Katz,	West Stewartstown
Mr. Wyman,	Chicago, Ill.
F. R. Jennings, Sr.,	Oakville, Ont.
Mrs. H. E. Scholesfield,	"
Miss A. Harris,	Clarksons,
Miss M. Harris,	"
Miss Lucy Harris,	Toronto,
Mrs. P. Cox,	Paris,

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Just look at the black undershirts, only 50 cents, at L. M. Stearns.

Don't forget to see the box of neck ribbons, 19 cents a piece, at L. M. Stearns.

A Birthday Celebration.

A merry company of boys and girls helped Sylvia Swan to celebrate her eleventh birthday on Saturday. There were very cheerful decorations of autumn leaves, and a table well furnished with pretty gifts bore witness to the affection of many friends.

The young hostess performed her part in an entirely generous and self-forgetful spirit. A pretty feature of the occasion was the crowning of little Miss Sylvia with a chaplet of gorgeous autumn leaves, and the homage tendered her by her guests. The graceful curtsies of the young ladies were followed by the ceremonious and sweeping bows of the young gentlemen.

Mrs. Swan and Sylvia were assisted by Miss Cecilia Clark of the Howard, Miss Ruby Clark, Miss Pease, and Miss Charlotte Mills who joined in the games with quite as much enthusiasm as was shown by the younger people.

Refreshments of a varied and delicious nature, and a birthday ride ended a very happy afternoon.

Mass Meeting.

It has been felt for some time by school officials of the State that a sufficient interest has not been taken by parents in general in the training of their children. To stimulate this interest, a series of Educational Mass Meetings have been planned to be held in different parts of the State. One of these meetings will be held in Odeon Hall, Bethel, on the evening of Oct. 10. The speakers will be Dr. A. E. Winship, editor of the New England Journal of Education, and Prof. P. P. Claxton of the University of Tennessee, two men who have long been identified with the cause of education throughout the country. It is hoped that many of the fathers and mothers, not only in Bethel, but in surrounding towns, will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear so able a discussion on the question of the education and training of their children. No fault is found with our present school system, but there is a grand opportunity to make the weak points strong and the strong ones stronger. At this meeting new and broader ideas will be suggested for development, many of which it is hoped may be adopted.

OBITUARY.

Joseph Briggs died very suddenly, Sept. 14, after an illness of twenty-one hours, of bowel trouble, at the home of Lafayette Waterhouse, South Paris. He leaves a wife, one son, Frank A., and one daughter, Mrs. Leroy Abbott. Also two grandchildren, Maud V., and Ernest V. Briggs. He was highly respected by all who knew him and was a member of the Methodist church at South Paris; also a member of Mt. Mica Lodge No. 17, I. O. O. F., which attended the funeral in a body. The services were at the church, Friday, at 2 p. m., attended by Rev. Mr. Clifford; interment in Riverside cemetery. The deceased's age was 70 years, 13 days.

He was born and always lived in Whittemore District. There were three brothers and four sisters; two sisters survive him. He was the son of Joseph and Susan (Cooper) Briggs who were also born and brought up here in Whittemore District. The house on the homestead was raised the day Mr. Briggs was born, seventy-six years ago the first day of this month.

Notice.

I desire to say to the public that I am prepared to do all kinds of shoeing. Also I have for sale one new buckboard and a second-hand top buggy in good condition. Will sell cheap.

F. C. BARTLETT,
Bethel, Maine.

Dr. Bowles in Universalist Pulpit.

It is very seldom in these small towns that we have the privilege of listening to a clergyman so eloquent and scholarly as the Rev. E. C. Bowles, D. D., of Tufts College.

The Doctor took as his text the 19th and 20th verses of the 6th chapter of Matthew. The discourse was technically perfect. It contained the broadest and most profound religious thought of the present day, and yet so simple and interesting that even a child could understand. In his many most apt illustrations he was impressively eloquent, and every thought appealed to the heart and mind of each person in the large audience. Though he has served the Christian church for forty-nine years as a clergyman, yet his presence is very easy and restful, his voice finely modulated, and he speaks out of a heart and mind that bears testimony to a keen consciousness of having lived close to the heart of the Infinite. We very much regret that every person in our town could not be present and inevitably benefited by such a sermon.

Dr. Bowles returns this week to resume his duties in Tufts Divinity School.

Miss Livermore's Entertainment.

A good sized and appreciative audience greeted Miss Elsie Livermore last Thursday evening in her unique program of literary and musical numbers. Those of us who have quite frequently met with several of the characters whom Miss Livermore so vividly impersonated, know very well that her subjects were not overdrawn, but were indeed true to life.

One in the audience who has seen and heard Dan Daly hundreds of times, said that, blindfolded, one would almost feel sure that the actor himself were there.

The vocal solo, "The Wind,"—words by Eugene Field—was delightfully rendered. Miss Livermore is certainly a genius in her art.

The one criticism which seems to be very general, and which, by the way, we too rarely have the opportunity to make, is "The program was too short." By the way of explanation we will reveal the secret: The artist thought she saw evidences of restlessness in the audience and therefore cut her program short three numbers. Here is the moral: If we can not enjoy a thing ourselves, let us enjoy seeing others enjoy themselves. This we can best do by aiding in every possible way, if it be only in maintaining quiet when one is before the audience. This is our unquestionable duty.

Extra Premium Offered by Riverside Park Association.

The Riverside Park Association are offering an extra premium of \$100.00 on draft horses which should certainly call out a good field of horses.

\$60.00 will go to the pair winning the largest number of points.
\$25.00 will go to the pair winning the second largest number of points.

\$15.00 will go to the pair winning the third largest number of points. It is stipulated that the prizes will not be awarded for a walkover and in case of only two entries the second and third prizes will be awarded. Points will be considered as follows:
For best drawing from a cart or wagon with wheels blocked, 7 points
Best plowing, 7 points
Best condition (apart from shoeing) and general appearance, 6 points
Best shoeing, 2 points
Best backing with load, 2 points
Best condition of cart and harness, 1 point

Total 25 points
Three competent and fair minded men to act as judges. The object is to discover the best all-round team.

The only condition for entering this contest will be to pay the admission at the gate. This certainly is an opportunity, the like of which was never known at Riverside Park before, and it certainly should call out a fine field of draft horses. Let all take an interest in this and make a good showing.

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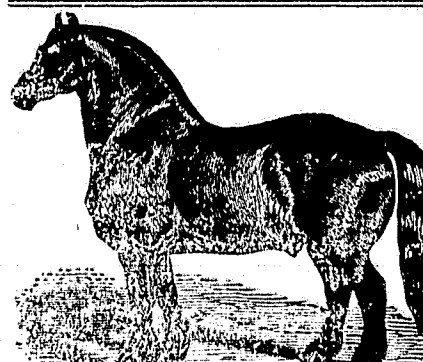
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either direction.

Time Table in Effect June 19, 1904.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave...	1.20	6.30
Gorham,	3.21	8.20
Gilead,	3.45	8.38
West Bethel,	3.57	8.47
BETHEL, arrive,	4.05	8.53
Locke Mills,	4.00	8.32
Bryant Pond,	4.22	9.05
South Paris,	4.51	9.30
Lewiston,	5.50	10.30
Portland, arrive,	6.40	11.15
Boston, via rail,	12.45	4.10
Boston, via boat,		3.00

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	8.15	1.30
Lewiston,	9.00	2.25
South Paris,	10.00	3.22
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.02
Locke Mills,	10.35	4.12
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.25
West Bethel,	10.54	4.35
Gilead,	11.05	4.51
Gorham,	11.30	5.20

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.

Excursions to Gorham and Berlin be-
gin June 12th and run each Sunday till
Oct. 23, fare 45 cents round trip. Train
leaves Bethel at 11.12 a. m. Returning
leaves Berlin at 4 p. m. arriving in
Bethel at 5.05.

Excursions to Portland begin July 3,
and continue till Sept. 11, fare \$1.00.
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ing, arrives at 8.35 p. m.

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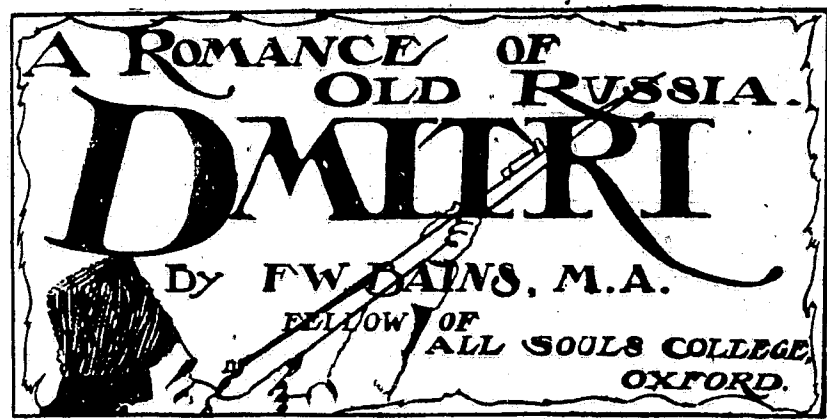
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XLIX.
The next morning those of the
boys who came as usual to council
were much perplexed to see a number
of workmen engaged in erecting a
sort of scaffold on the Red Place, im-
mediately before the Gate of the Re-
deemer.

"What is this tribunal that is being
fixed up in the Square?" asked Sotou-
pot of Bielski, as he entered.

"I don't know; no one knows.
Caesar is going to dance on it, prob-
ably, or stand on his head, for the
edification of his faithful people."

"Do you know, Shuiski?"
"Not I, indeed. Why should the
Tsar consult be as to his doing?"

"Why, indeed?" echoed Dmitri, who
entered at the moment with a radiant
face. "Why should it?"

You are perfectly right; you have
hit it exactly. Any one would think
you were a prophet. Well, would it
be for Princes if they always took
counsel before any important design;
but they are headstrong, very head-
strong, and they have a most fatal
confidence in themselves. Haven't
they, Prince Vassili Shuiski?"

Your Imperial Majesty seems
pleased," observed Shuiski, not entire-
ly at his ease. "Has your Majesty any
good news for your council this morn-
ing?"

"The best—the best! But first I will
tell you a story. I want your opinion
on it. Once on a time, my lords, it
came about that the fox, highly in-
dignant that the lion should be king
over the beasts, laid a plot; and hav-
ing obtained the assistance of a great
quantity of beavers and moles—ay,
moles!—he dug a pit, and overlaid it
cunningly with earth, so that the lion,
when he went forth on his round,
should fall to detect it, and fall in-
to your follow me, gentlemen?"

The nobles stared, not without
qualms.

"Twas a very cunning contrivance,
my lords, oh, so cunning! but it so
happened that, just as the lion drew
near to the pitfall, he saw a bear,
who, being hungry, had caught one of
those same beavers, and was on the
point of making a meal off him. The
poor beaver cried out to the lion, who
was seized with compassion and slew
the bear, and so the beaver was saved.

"Lion," said the beaver, "don't go
farther along that walk. I was dig-
ging a pit there yesterday, and you
might fall in."

The Tsar stopped. "How do you like
the story, Shuiski? Are you anxious
as to the fate of the fox?"

Shuiski's countenance fell.
"Koulikoff!" shouted Dmitri.
Koulikoff entered.

"Here is my beaver, gentlemen; a
fine specimen, isn't he?"

And as the nobles stood thunder-
struck, Dmitri altered his tone.

"Aha, Vassili Shuiski! how do you
like the application. Traitor, so you
thought Dmitri was asleep! Had you
forgotten, you scoundrel, how my
father the Terrible tore to pieces by
hounds for daring to insult him when
he was a boy? Did you wonder, all
of you, what the Tsar had erected that
scaffold on the Red Place for? Well,
I will tell you: 'Twas to execute one
of the house of Shuiski, who plotted
against his Tsar."

He clapped his hands, and the grey
mountaineer and copper visage of
Kouli, at the head of thirty Cossacks,
appeared in the doorway.

"Kouli," said Dmitri, pointing to
Vassili Shuiski, "there is your man."

Shuiski offered no resistance; the
blow was too sudden.

"Consider it a proof of my clemency,
went on Dmitri, 'that I condemn no
one else. To-day the ringleader shall
expiate his crime on the Red Place.'

Don't suppose I am not well aware
of who it is I have to deal with. But
I will be a father, and not an execu-
tioner, to my people; and even when
they fall in their obedience, I will have
mercy. Let me have no more plotting—
you cannot escape my vigilance. Be-
wise in time, and remember; next
time I will sing another song. And
you, he went on to the ecclesiastical
lords, "mark me! let this be a lesson
that the Tsar has a respect for the
Church. I know you; see that you
keep to your duty for the future. I
pardon you for this once."

He went out, while the guards led
off Shuiski to execution. The boys
sneaked out, like beaten curs, with-
out a word.

L.
The great bell rang. An anxious
crowd gathered on the Red Place.
"What is it?" "Have you heard?" "A
plot against the Tsar? An execution?"
"Who?" "The boys?" "Look, there
they come!"

A strong body of troops arrived
and surrounded the scaffold. Present-
ly Kouli and his Cossacks followed;
in their midst the unfortunate Shu-
iski, who yet showed no sign of weak-
ness.

His face was very pale, his lips
twitched, but he did not flinch.

They mounted the scaffold.

A order came forward, and an-
nounced that the Tsar, having discov-
ered a deadly plot against himself and



'Let us Beware! Beware!'

blood ran down upon the scaffold; and
the miserable victim fainted.

He was untied, and revived. His
back was roughly dried, and he was
forced to kneel at the block.

Half unconscious he laid his head
down upon it. The headsman waved
his great axe—suddenly a cry was
raised from behind, "Stop, in the name
of the Tsar!"

The executioner lowered his weapon.
An official came on to the stage and
read aloud his warrant. The Tsar, of
his gracious mercy, and in considera-
tion of the birth and high position
of the prisoner, had, owing to the
prayers and intercession of his moth-
er, the Tsarevna Maria Fedorovna
Nagol, granted a pardon, on condition
that the criminal gave his promise to
take part in no more rebellious
movements. Instead of death, the
sentence was commuted to banishment
for life to Siberia.

The criminal was forthwith re-
moved, and placed in a cart, which
set out straightway for Siberia under
a strong guard.

The crowd dispersed in silence. The
scene was over.

Ten miles from Moscow, a courier
overtook the escort. The Tsar grant-
ed full pardon to the criminal, re-
stored him to his former position, and
his former favor at Court.

Shuiski was accordingly brought
back to Moscow, and his liberty was
restored.

L.
"Tsar, I am not cruel; but as you
value your own life, don't pardon him
now."

"Oh, he's punished enough by this
time! Let the scoundrel live. We
have but one life each after all."

"General," said Iwanicki, "Basmanof
is quite right. If you had pardoned
him before, well; but after all this
disgrace, he must die—or you will."

"Let him live—let him live!"

"General," persisted Iwanicki, "you
read Macchiavelli; remember what he
tells his prince: Treat your enemies
well, or put it out of their power to
do you harm. Be warned; don't sign
it."

"Iwanicki—Basmanof," said Dmitri,
"thanks; but look here,—and he signed
the pardon. Look you, I have
sworn I will not lightly shed Russian
blood. I will keep my oath. Believe
me, there are two ways of governing
an empire. Terror?—That is not my
way. Generosity? Yes; there is the
alchemy that works wonders, there's
the key that unlocks all hearts. You
say, I shall die. Very well, be it so.
But I will not live under your condi-
tions. While I live, I will let live.
They shall not say, in future ages,
that Dmitri Ivanovitch took away his
subjects' lives to preserve his own."

"General," said Iwanicki after a
while, "you have a great soul, but
you are doomed. Now, swear to me
that you will never go anywhere with-
out me!"

"No, I will not swear," said Dmitri
with a smile; "but I will do it, as a
rule, without swearing."

"Why, do you think I could exist,
with no one but these rusty old Rus-
sian curmudgeons to talk to? Death
would be welcome, after a single
month of them."

LII.
"We never thought to see you again
after that morning, Shuiski," said
Bielski to the reprieved criminal, as
he lay in bed.

"Strange things happen," answered
Shuiski. "By the way, how is Caesar
this morning?"

"Oh, very cheerful. I wonder how
you can speak of him."

"You are a mere child, Bielski. I
hope he's well. I shouldn't like any-
thing to happen to him now till I'm
sound again. Hands off, all of you;
he's my game."

"Keep him, by all means," said Voro-
tinski; "we want none of him. The
very sound of his laugh makes me
ill."

Shuiski laughed sardonically. "They
laugh best who laugh last. Wait: the

fox will dig his pit without beavers
next time.
Bielski, hand me that cup, and put a
little brandy in it."

LIII.
The Polish envoy ceased speaking,
and looked at the Tsar for a reply.

He had just been admitted by Dmitri
to a public audience in the Palace of
Faets. It was over, and the Tsar
himself, the Envoy, the nephew of the
Papal Legate in Poland, and the two
Jesuits, who had accompanied Dmitri
on his adventure, were discussing the
knotty difficulty, how to introduce the
wedge which was to split asunder
the Russian heresy.

Dmitri listened impatiently to the
envoy's expostulations, and took a
turn in the room.

"What you say, Gonsiewski, is per-
fectly clear. I can understand the
extreme anxiety of all my very good
friends in Poland to see the true faith
established here, but they do not ap-
preciate the difficulties of the thing.
I tell you, they are gigantic. Why, I
am hardly on the throne; I have only
just crushed a conspiracy. 'Tis abso-
lutely impossible to do anything defi-
nite yet. These reverend fathers will
tell you the same."

"Why, it's as much as their lives are
worth—ay, and my own—for them to
be seen in the streets in the habits of
their order. Say, isn't it so, Father
Brancaloni?"

"'Tis so indeed," answered the
Father, whose outward man was that
of a Polish cavalier. "Prince Gonciew-
ski, the Tsar is speaking the simple
truth. The frenzy of these barbarians
for their heretical errors is beyond all
belief."

There is doubtless difficulty," ob-
served Gonsiewski; "nevertheless—"
"Look you here," interrupted Dmitri.
"What we want is policy and patience.
You don't know these pigheaded Mus-
covites. One false step, and we lose
all. What, man, Rome was not built
in a day! See here, here are some
plans for a Catholic church to be built
on the site of the Convent of the As-
cension, close by here, where my
mother is living at this moment; but
I must not dare to propose it till I'm
much more firmly seated than I am
yet. If the thing got wind, there
would be a revolution."

"Gonsiewski," observed Count Alex-
ander Rangoni, the nephew of the
Papal legate, "it's all quite true.
Michalawicki told me exactly the same
thing yesterday. He was mobbed in
the streets a week ago, because he is
known to have Mass celebrated in his
house."

"Well, well," said the Envoy, reluc-
tantly, "I will represent to His Majesty
what you say. It sounds reasonable.
I daresay His Holiness Pope Paul
does not sufficiently appreciate the
greatness of the obstacles. But to
turn to another subject, Tsar, His
Majesty is ill pleased with the attitude
you have adopted to Duke Charles of
Sudermania. 'Twas understood, and
even stipulated, by King Sigismund
that you should distinctly refuse to
recognize him as King of Sweden."

"Now, there you are again," said
Dmitri. "Cannot you see it's all a mat-
ter of time? I must cajole where I
can't oppose. How is it possible for
me at this moment to do anything
but dissemble? A quarrel with Charles
at this moment would bring five thou-
sand Swedes into Kurland, and I can-
not trust my army. We must be pa-
tient; all in good time. What we
need, before any strong measures can
be taken, is some victories over the
Tartars. We shall soon be in the
field. I'm only waiting till Mniszek
arrives with my Tsarina; and then we
start for the South. But we'll discuss
this another time. Come and let me
show you my new foundries. I've got
some guns casting which will make
some big lanes in the ranks of these
Turkish savages. You shall see for
yourself. Give me a year—only one
—and I will undertake to have all
these obstacles and all this disaffec-
tion under my thumb. Rangoni, will
you come? Brancaloni, you are
going out—will you tell Margaret to
come and escort us with a batch of his
men?"

You see, Gonsiewski, it's hardly
safe for me, to wander about
my own capital without a guard.
What's this. Despatches from
Poland? Wait for me a moment. I'll
be with you as soon as I've thrown
my eye into them."

LIV.
My own dear, dear Dmitri; and yet
I hardly dare to call you Dmitri now,
you seem so high up and so far away.
To think of your being Tsar of all
Muscovy! Actually you, my Dmitri!
It doesn't seem real. Oh, Dmitri, have
you forgotten all about me. How I
have waited since you went away!
And sometimes a letter came. I used
to give the men who brought your
letters such a lot to drink—far more
than was good for them, I should
think. And how good it was of my
darling to write to me, in the middle
of all your battles and sieges. I was
terribly afraid you would get killed,
but, thank God, your battles are all
over now. You won't fight any more
now, Dmitri, will you?

Dmitri smiled.

When my father and the others
came back and said they had left you
by yourself, I thought I should have
died. I wouldn't see my father for
months. I cried all day, except when
I was praying. Now it's all over. I
blessed Count Iwanicki for staying
with you; tell him I pray for him all
my life long.

And so I shall see you soon; your
envoys arrived last week. We shall
be starting in ten days. What a
funny old man Vlasief is! They
laugh at him a great deal here; he is
so stiff and proud, and yet so rever-
ent to me. He will hardly stand up
before me; he makes me feel so sorry;

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But there are some of us to whom
It never said a word.
—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.
Usual Obstacle.
Harry—Couldn't you get her fath-
er's consent?
Jack—I don't know. I couldn't get
my own consent to take him for a
father-in-law.—Detroit Free Press.

The Story of Toledo Cathedral.
The Cathedral of Toledo, about
which so much alarm is felt just now,
is perhaps the finest architectural
glory that Spain can boast. The site
was occupied by at least three
churches before the erection of the
present building, the first one, accord-
ing to popular legend, having been
erected during the lifetime of the Vir-
gin Mary and visited by her. Of this
church we know nothing; the second
was pulled down in 1032. The third
was finished in 1085, and was occu-
pied by the Moors for many years as
a mosque. Afterwards it was the
Cathedral of Spain, until in the early
part of the thirteenth century Alon-
so IX. had it pulled down and the
present one erected in its stead. It is
404 feet long and 204 feet wide, is
built from material quarried in the
neighborhood, and is of the purest
Gothic. It was designed by Pedro
Perez Diaz, who supervised its erec-
tion for nearly fifty years and conse-
crated his life to it. During the five
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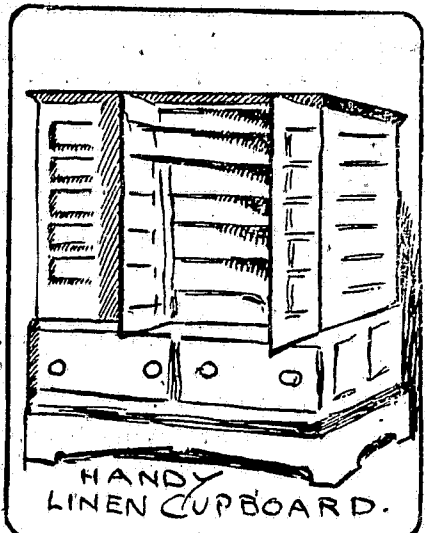
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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

It is well to keep on hand a yard or two of damask from which to pull threads for mending table linens. When these are bought (as they commonly are nowadays) by the pattern, there is no chance for the "trimmings" which used to fall to the lot of the buyer in getting them in shape. The ravelings from this class of goods make a darn which is practically imperceptible after laundering.

When hanging pictures people often spoil their walls by driving nails haphazard, only to find the nails bend because they are being hammered against bricks. The right method is to pierce the wall with a darning needle to find the crevice between the bricks and then drive in the nail. To preserve stair carpets put pads of old blankets on each step. If there is no store of ancient blankets to draw from use several thicknesses of brown paper.

In running strings through curtains that have been laundered use a safety pin instead of a bodkin, and the curtains will not tear so readily. A piece of chamois wet in warm water is the best thing to use for wiping off mirrors and windows after sweeping.

Old flannel makes excellent polishers for silver, almost as good as chamois leather.

Cleaning the Ice-Box.

A triple house-cleaning every week is none too much for the refrigerator. A wise provision is to arrange it for the days on which the ice is to be renewed. Remove everything, wipe walls and shelves with a damp cloth, then rub with coarse, dry towel. Pour scalding water in which a bit of washing soda has been dissolved, down the waste pipe. Follow it with a cold stream and permit the refrigerator to stand open and empty a few minutes till thoroughly cooled. Five minutes' work three times a week is all that is required to keep this part of the larder in perfect sanitary condition.

Foot Binding in China.

It was in the year 970 that the first foot binding took place in China. For more than nine centuries this cruel and absurd custom has been a sign of aristocracy. It stands for all that woman has endured, and is the visible mark of mental, physical and moral helplessness. Now the acknowledged Chinese aristocrats among the new women in this country who have witnessed the firm broad tread of our American women, have begun a revolt against this barbarous practice.

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Food for the Invalid.

Never ask a sick person what she would like to eat or drink. Let the meals always be nicely cooked and their exact nature unknown till they appear. Little surprises in the way of food do much to tempt the appetite.

The Women of Germany. The subordinate condition of German women is outwardly manifested in certain manners of the street and public places. In the city of Berlin women receive indignities that would seem quite shocking in New York or Boston.



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Mrs. Black—Oh, she is very conscientious about it. After she has eaten her dinner and is ready to go she always lectures me upon my disregard of the Lord's Day.—Boston Transcript.

Out at First.

"I suppose," remarked the young man who was feeling his way, "that you know how to bake bread?"
"Your suppose is correct," replied the fair maid in a tone that savored of the refrigerator, "and I may also add that the man I marry will be rich enough to patronize a bakery."

DULY AUTHORIZED.



Old Lady—Here, little boy, what makes you let your dog worry that cat?

Small Boy—Aw, he's got a license and kin do anything he wants.

Paul's Fate.

"Suppose Paul Revere should have waited and made his famous ride now," said the professor, "what would be his reward?"

"He'd be arrested for fast driving," promptly responded the bright students.

At the Shore.

Edith—When I accepted Jack he said he was in the seventh heaven of happiness.

Edith—Quite likely—he's been engaged to six other girls this season.—Puck.

Not Bad Enough.

"How do you like the cheese, sir?" asked the waiter.

"It's not half bad," replied the diner.

"Very sorry, sir, but we were assured it was quite ripe."—Philadelphia Record.

Continuous Curriculum.

Beware the school of love—beware! Oh, enter with discreetest care, For Cupid makes this proclamation: "We give our pupils no vacation."

New Leaf From Boswell's.

Boswell—Do you believe all they say about the gas meter?

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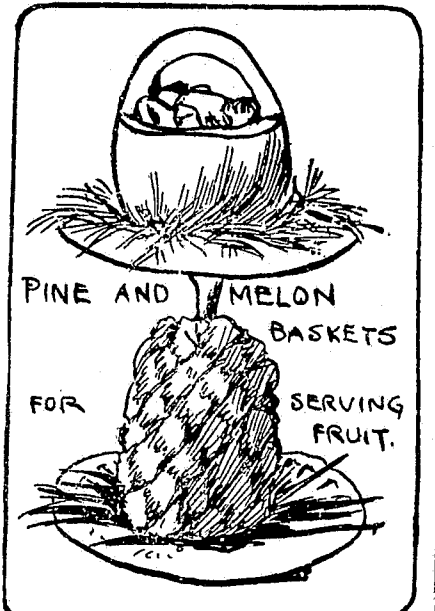
TIGHT-FITTING CLOTHES.

Comfort and Style Can Easily Be Obtained If Sought.

A woman who is healthy and happy (and the terms are synonymous) does not wear her clothing uncomfortably tight. She has grown wiser. Women's clothing is cumbersome enough at best, but when vanity and a mistaken sense of style prompts the wearing of tight shoes which distort the feet, high collars which beget throat troubles and cause the face to flush and darken, and tight corsets, then the woman of civilization is but a step removed from the women of China, who hobble on maimed feet. Many women have an idea that comfort and untidy looseness of attire, coupled with lack of style, go hand in hand, and are victims of "nerves" in consequence. How this wrong idea still obtains it is hard to imagine, in view of the fact that perfect cut and fit has made the loose outer garment and shirt-waist artistic and a pronounced success for years past. If all women would apply this knowledge in the selection or making of other garments all might be as comfortable as men, who scorn a garment if it pinches. If the corset is properly fitted and loose enough for perfect comfort and shoes, belt, etc., fitted on the same principle, woman's health would be much better than it is. An hour a day spent in exercise will not undo the work of ten or twelve hours of improper living, hence the absurdity of women trying to obtain better health by exercise and gymnastics when they go from such exercise directly into the mistake of tight-fitted clothes.

Baskets for Serving Fruit.

A pleasing variation from the regulation methods of serving fruit is to utilize a basket fashioned from a pineapple or a melon for this purpose. The inside part of the fruit is carefully cut away, leaving a hollow case. The contents, freed from core and seeds, are then returned to the shells, sweetened and flavored with liquor if desired. A sprinkling of sugar and liqueur add to the flavor of the melon. Strawberries and pineapples make a delicious combination. When carefully prepared these fruit baskets impart a decorative touch to the table and are especially appropriate for luncheon or tea.



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Y. W. C. A. Established in Paris.

No Young Women's Christian association has ever been founded in Paris for the reason that no enterprising person of means ever took the matter in hand until a few months ago. It would have made happy all who take an interest in Christian associations to have attended the dedicatory exercise of the newly-established British-American Young Women's Christian association at 5 Rue de Turin, five minutes' walk from the business center of Paris, where, in a private house, with garden in front, at least 30 women can be housed, boarded and well cared for.

The preamble to the constitution says that the members of this association are actuated by a desire to stimulate interest in the religious development of young women in Paris to improve their intellectual, social and physical conditions, and to do this there will be classes in French, German, lectures, social and Bible meetings and teas, and sustaining members are \$4 a year, and board and lodging from \$5 to \$6 a week, and any woman of good moral character may be elected as an associate member by a vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the board.

Tips for the Mending Basket.

In mending frayed collars and cuffs, wash out the starch, turn in the edges evenly, and stitch together.

Worn buttonholes should have a piece of the goods sewed neatly under and new buttonholes worked in.

When the binding is worn on blankets buttonhole the edges with Scotch yarn matching the border in color.

Frayed-out skirts may have the edges scolloped, and worked in buttonhole stitch with darning cotton.

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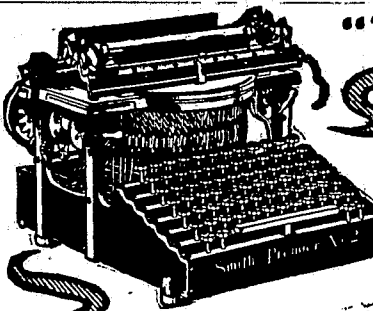
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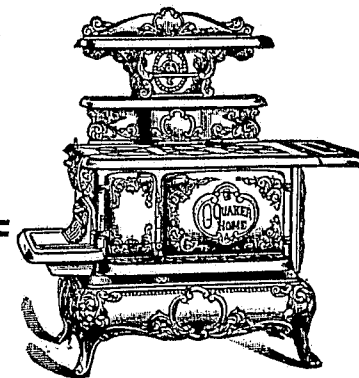
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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21, 1904.

THE COUNTY FAIR.

The weather on Tuesday was excellent, and the attendance the largest for a first day in the history of the association. More horses were on the grounds than ever, and the display of cattle, while not quite equal in number to the phenomenal show of last year, completely filled the large accommodations of the society.

Four granges, Norway, Mountain of Buckfield, West Paris, and Bear Mountain of South Waterford, made exhibits in the upper hall, and this combined with the fruit and flowers, the art exhibit and the domestic manufactures and fancy work of the ladies' department, made the show on the second floor excel anything that was ever seen there before.

The baby show was held on Tuesday afternoon, when a total of forty-nine appeared in the two classes, and the audience had little apprehension of race suicide in this immediate section.

Wednesday morning the weather was threatening, and probably two thousand people were debarred from starting, yet it was estimated that the attendance exceeded 14,000. Through the day it rained a little occasionally, though not enough to interrupt the program at all. The pour of Wednesday night and Thursday forenoon left no doubt as to the postponement of the third day's program. Friday was a fine day and the program was fully carried out.

CATTLE.

Those who have learned to expect something nice in this line to come from Hartford, were not disappointed, for one of the first lots to show up was the Hartford string, which came in Monday night. Of the fifteen yoke of oxen and steers eight belonged to Moses Young, six to Oscar Turner, and one to Mr. McPherson. They were a handsome lot, as usual, most of them white faces, and carried off the blue ribbon in the town team contest.

The herd from Morey Farm of Mechanic Falls, was early on the grounds. This farm is owned by Boston parties, and Herbert Tucker, formerly of Paris, is general manager. The herd consists of fifteen head, all registered A. J. C. C. Jerseys except one grade cow.

Perhaps the Holsteins attracted the most attention of any of the breeds, and they were the most numerous. C. A. Pride had no less than nineteen thoroughbreds, while the herd of Daniel Brett of Otisfield, were nearly as numerous. E. F. Pike of South Waterford, also had a fine display of Holsteins. These beautiful cattle are among the leading breeds of Maine, and they are gaining in popularity with each passing year.

There were dozens of other smaller herds and single entries, all good and helping to make a grand display.

The sheep, swine and poultry departments were all well filled and the displays of the best.

Among the many fine displays of vegetables and crops was that of Charles H. Pike of Norway, who is a boy of fifteen. It comprised at least fifteen varieties, including specimens of canned pears, plums and strawberries.

IN THE HALL.

Three fine collections of house plants were shown. Mrs. W. A. Porter of South Paris, showed a number of palms; Mrs. George W. Hobbs of Norway, a collection of house plants, also a quantity of cut flowers. Mrs. John W. Webster of South Paris, had the largest number of plants, comprising sixty specimens, and making a very attractive display.

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Merrill, the photographer, of Norway, occupied a space in the upper hall with an array of excellent photographic work, mostly portraits.

Charles A. Hersey of South Paris, was in charge of the stack of sheet music from Powers' music parlors, South Paris, and was disposing of it to all who wished to buy.

George H. Davis of South Paris, exhibited a pyramid of maple syrup and honey, extracted and in the comb.

F. E. Tainter had on exhibition several pianos from his store in Lewiston.

W. C. Leavitt, of the Norway and J. P. Richardson of So. Paris, hardware dealers, had good displays of stoves and ranges.

An exhibit which attracted about as much admiring attention as anything to be seen was made by L. M. Longley, the Norway plumber, and represented a well-furnished bath room, with the most approved modern fittings.

The Mason Manufacturing Co. of South Paris, showed a line of its toy furniture, dolls' chairs, tables, etc.

Miss Libby of the Cottage Studio, Norway, had a fine display of photographic work of various kinds, souvenir post cards, burnt-wood work, etc.

Mrs. George S. Boutelle of Paris, occupied a booth from which she dispensed various remedies and toilet articles.

Five sketches in oil from North Norway and Greenwood, by Atherton Furlong, the artist, attracted much attention in the upper hall. All were appropriately framed. One was a lion's head, the others were cattle and farm scenes.

THE RACES.

The three days' races taken as a whole were very satisfactory, and fully up to the average of those usually given at the fair. The Wednesday races were especially exciting and close, while those of Friday were less so, and the free-for-all, which carried the largest purse and was naturally the fast race of the fair, was something of a disappointment, narrowing down to only two horses. It was evident from the first heat that Commodore Dewey had that class at his mercy. The best heat, however, was done in under 2.20, which is good speed for this track.

2.30 Class, Trot and Pace—Purse \$200.
Pointer Patch, s. g., N. J. Foss, 5 1 1
Fair Nancy, b. m., C. M. Stuart, 5 2 2
Sprague Nutwood, ch. g., E. W. Hunt, 2 3 3
Maud Bates, b. m., F. O. Walker, 7 4 4
Lela Wilkes, b. m., F. O. Walker, 7 4 4
Albertus, b. g., Wm. Abbott, 4 5 5
Homer Wilkes, g. g., C. Kneeland, 4 5 5

Time—2:22 3/4, 2:27 3/4, 2:25, 2:24 1/4, 2:30.
2.25 Class, Trot and Pace—Purse \$200.
Little Glimmer, b. g., Stuart, 1 1 1
Bonny Nelson, b. g., Chapman, 2 2 2
Orphan Wilkes, b. g., H. S. Hastings, 4 3 3
Nehalem, r. g., F. R. Hayden, 3 3 3
Helen, b. m., Ames, 6 7 7

Time—2:22 1/4, 2:22 1/4, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2.
2.50 Class—Purse \$500. Divided.
Nelsonita, ch. m., Bartlett, 1 1 1
Julian, b. s., Farrington, 5 2 2
Roland L., ch. g., Brown, 5 3 3
Atlanta, blk. m., Wilkinson, 3 3 3
Cascio Simmons, blk. g., Mayberry Farm, 4 4 4

Time—2:31 1/2, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2, 2:25 3/4.
2.20 Class, Trot and Pace—Purse \$200.
A. H. By, ch. g., Loring, 4 4 4
Meador Boy, b. g., Pittman, 4 4 4
Dr. Jack, b. s., Tarbox, 5 5 5
Joe Hedge, g. g., Bonnalie, 3 3 3
Elizetta, b. m., F. H. Wilkinson, 5 3 3
Vermont Chimes, b. g., Rowe, 5 3 3

Time—2:19 1/4, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:22 1/4, 2:22 1/4.
2.45 Trot—Purse \$125.
American Law, b. s., Howland, 2 1 1
August, b. s., Maple Grove Farm, 2 2 2
Harry Miller, b. g., L. A. Bartlett, 3 3 3
Lucero, b. s., G. R. Patten, 4 4 4
Red Elm Boy, b. s., F. H. Wilkinson, 4 4 4

Time—2:23 3/4, 2:25, 2:27 1/4.
2.35 Class—Purse \$125.
Nelsonita, ch. m., 1 1 1
Alaymont, b. g., H. S. Hastings, 2 2 2
Julian, b. s., Farrington, 3 3 3
Roland L., ch. g., Brown, 4 4 4
Elwin, b. g., E. L. Parker, 5 5 5

Time—2:29 1/2, 2:26, 2:28 1/2, 2:27.
2.27 Class—Purse \$200.
Miss Strike, b. m., W. R. Chapman, 2 1 1
Harry Miller, b. g., L. A. Bartlett, 1 2 2
Alaymont, b. g., H. S. Hastings, 3 3 3
Boynton, b. g., Geo. Bonnalie, 4 4 4

Time—2:25 1/4, 2:24 1/4, 2:27, 2:28 1/2, 2:28 1/2.
Free-for-All—Purse \$250.
Commodore Dewey, ch. g., J. T. Loring, 2 1 1
San Telmo, b. g., W. B. Stone, 1 2 2
Vermont Chimes, b. g., F. H. Rowe, 4 3 3
Joe Hedge, g. g., Bonnalie, 3 3 3

Time—2:20 1/4, 2:20, 2:19 3/4, 2:20 1/2.
FOOT NOTES.

Ten automobiles each with a merry party on board came Wednesday to the fair.
L. A. Hall of Bethel showed his yearling colt, Sable Prince by Sable, dam sired by Hebron. He is a nice looking colt and is well bred.

Ex-Gov. Sidney Perham of Washington, D. C., was an honored visitor. He has not missed visiting this fair for more than half a century.

Lewis Foster of West Gray, of the firm of Foster Bros., of Windham, was kicked by his horse while eating dinner in the carriage, Wednesday noon. He received a bad cut over and under one eye. He was taken to Aaron Babb's and cared for there.

The Norway Cadet Band played all three days of the fair, and strangers on the grounds inquired with much interest where the band came from. It is unusual to hear a band hailing from a country town making such music.

L. W. Whitman had only one yoke of oxen on the grounds, but he did some big stunts with them. He pulled with them in three classes, and won first money with them in the sweepstakes and one other class, and second money in the other contests.—\$31 in premiums.

Bear Mountain Grange of South Waterford exhibited a cow bell from Interlaken, Switzerland, weighing nearly ten pounds, hung on a strap six inches wide, and having a melodious but heavy tone, which must be a burden to the cow which is compelled to wear it.

A game of ball was played each day. That of Tuesday was between Oxford and West Paris. The score was 11 to 1 in favor of Oxford. Wednesday Harrison defeated Norway 3 to 1. On Thursday Oxford and West Paris met again, and reversed positions, the score being 12 to 7 in favor of West Paris.

Hon. Jessie M. Libby of Mechanic Falls, Hon. Waldo Hottel of Rumford, Falls and Hon. J. H. Martin, representative elect from the same town, were the judges on the grange exhibits. They decided that the premiums should be awarded in the following order: Norway Grange, first; Mountain Grange, Buckfield, second; Bear Mountain, Waterford, third; and West Paris, fourth in the list.

At 10 o'clock Friday morning the parade of premium stock started on the track, headed by Marshal W. C. Cole and the band. President Wheeler of the society, Vice-President Hammond, and Secretary Frothingham, rode in the first team. With ribbons fluttering in the sunlight, it was a pretty sight, and the string of animals would have done credit to any fair. There were seven pairs of heavy horses and fifteen other individuals, forty-two yoke of oxen and steers, and thirty other cattle—a total of 143 animals.

The Growth of Carnations. Carnations may be grown from seed but young plants are easier for amateurs to handle. The plants thrive on new soil and if a newly-broken piece of land is available it will always pay to use it for this purpose. As soon as danger from frost is past set the plants in straight rows with labels put in at each sort to avoid confusion. The ground should be frequently hoed, irrigated and kept free from weeds, although care should be taken not to go too deep. Cuttings can be most easily rooted in damp sand. The old fashioned annual pink are much more easily grown than carnations and may be propagated from seed sown early in the open ground.

Start Plants in Soda. Those who want to have the earliest plants and flowers should try planting the seeds in soda, in the house. Have a lot of soda, four inches or so, inverted and placed on shallow boxes, and into these, put the seeds you want to start, cucumber, melon, tomato, flowers, etc. Keep the soda moist, and set the box, or boxes, in a warm place. They can be removed to cold frames out doors, or to the beds where they are to grow, without disturbing the roots of the plants, and will gain two or three weeks in time. Many gardeners adopt this plan of forcing vegetables, and the farmer may do the same with equal success.

Fruit and Nut Trees for Shade. Why not plant handsome fruit trees for shade as well as fruit? Many of them, especially some of the plums and cherries, are really ornamental in appearance. The nut bearing trees are also well adapted to the yard and the lawn. What is more, the black walnut is a handsome tree anywhere. While pleasing to the eye such trees have a positive value that increases with their years.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Miss Evelyn Briggs was in Portland Sunday.

Dr. and M. S. Bradbury of Norway were in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. G. Rich has gone to Norway for a short visit with friends.

Geo. B. Farnsworth has returned from a three weeks' camping trip to the Lakes.

Miss Sadie Woodbury and two friends of Portland were at E. A. Capen's Sunday.

Messrs. Gotthard Carlson and Frank J. Weed were guests of relatives in town Sunday.

Mrs. E. S. Jones from Newton, Mass., has been the guest of Mrs. J. C. Billings for a few days.

Mrs. Scott Robertson is very ill, and is being cared for by Mrs. Emma Robertson of Gorham, N. H.

Miss Alice Billings has returned from her visit to Boston and vicinity very much improved in health.

Mr. Mason D. Bryant a student at Columbia College was a guest of his uncle, C. L. Davis, and other relatives, last week.

Mrs. Fannie Merrill who has been visiting Mrs. John B. Chapman has returned to her home at West Medford, Mass.

Mrs. I. H. Wight who underwent an operation for appendicitis at her home on Main street the first of last week, is rapidly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson and wife of Falmouth, and Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Corliss and son of Yarmouth were guests of their niece, Mrs. W. F. Kendall, Sunday.

L. A. Hall captured a second premium of \$8 for stallions, and first premium of \$5 for yearling stallions (Sable Prince by El Sable) at the Oxford County Fair.

The house on Paradise street, owned by Mrs. A. J. Knight of East Rumford, and occupied for more than twelve years by Mr. John Swan, has been sold to Mr. Coolidge of Upton who will move in as soon as Mr. Swan vacates.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Wheeler of Newtonville, Mass., who have been guests at the Universalist paragonage have returned to their home eloquent in their praises of Bethel's scenery, hospitality, and its many advantages for a most recuperative outing.

Miss L. M. Stearns has returned from the Boston markets and millinery openings, and on next Saturday will make a special display of Ready-to-wear Hats, Veils, etc.; also fancy Collars in more than seventy-five different styles, and a large variety of belts in black and the new shades. Don't forget the date, Saturday, Sept. 24.

The following story is being told in Portland. It seemed that a certain well-known citizen, who had been celebrating Pennell's victory Monday evening entered the lunch wagon at the corner of Main street and Warren avenue and inquired if that car went to Portland. The reply was in the negative and that person is said to be still wondering why he asked the question.

Verily the way of our game wardens is hard! One hies himself to the fastnesses of the Lake region, and is cast away on a desert isle from which hunger and thirst (for he may not be so much of a prohibitionist as he would have others be) forced him to dampen his ardor and swim to the mainland, while another whose name also begins with "B" is attacked by a partridge in the main street of our village while taking a Sunday afternoon stroll, armed only with his trusty "can" out from the heights of Little Round Top. Though loth to part with this relic, he hurled it at his assailant, and succeeded in wounding the bird, which continued the assault with renewed vigor. Mr. Barker's blood was now up; he was the sedate, orderly citizen no longer; but the war veteran still seeking the life of the enemy in gray, the full-fledged veteran of many happy campaigns at Pulpit Rock in company with the late Mun Wormell, Joe Martin, Will Stone, Dr. Hunt,ington, A. C. Frost and others. In and out around and about went Barker and the bird, first one on top, then the other, cheered on by an admiring crowd, until the enemy became entangled in the meshes of a perambulator wheel on Dr. Sturdivant's piazza and was captured. Regardless of close time its neck was wrung, and Clint has dined off partridge steak ever since.

O. A. Buck is pressing hay for William Chapman.

Mrs. W. C. Bryant was in Portland Saturday.

Byron Tuttle of Rumford Corner was in Bethel to-day.

The Ladies' Club will not hold a meeting this week.

Hollis Coolidge and wife spent a part of last week in the village.

Mrs. Isaac Wight returned to her home in Gorham, N. H., Monday.

Miss Agnes Linnell went to Portland Saturday to consult a specialist.

Mrs. Seth Walker is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clinton Metcalf, in Farmington.

Mr. David Cummings came to Bethel Monday night for a vacation of two weeks.

Miss Gladys Wiley is studying kindergarten methods, in Bangor to fit herself for a teacher.

Miss Mildred Tuell has gone to South Brewer, where she is engaged in kindergarten work.

Mr. John Bryant and family are moving into the rent which they formerly occupied on Church street.

Miss A. M. Robertson and Miss Lizzie Stearns were guests at Willis Cottage, Gorham, N. H., Sunday.

Have you noticed the specimens of Frank Young's tasteful decoration in the window of E. H. Young?

Miss Fannie Kilborne, who has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ceylon Rowe has gone to Harrison to visit friends.

Tuesday afternoon the W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Chandler. An interesting account of the State Convention was given.

O. H. Sawtelle is visiting in Lewiston, Greene and Livermore, and will attend State Fair before returning to Bethel.

Lawrence Holt who underwent an operation for appendicitis after returning to Massachusetts, is recovering nicely, but is yet unable to work.

Miss Cora Farwell returned to Colby College Tuesday. She was accompanied as far as Lewiston, by Miss Sara Farwell and Miss Winona Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Brackett and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Brackett of Westbrook were guests of their sister, Mrs. Horace Annas, also Mrs. Mary Brackett, Sunday.

Miss Mildred Jordan's display of miniatures in the window of Miss L. C. Hall has elicited many expressions of admiration from all lovers of the beautiful who have seen them.

Rev. F. C. Potter who is caring for his father at Bridgton, came over Saturday, returning with his team the same day. He did not report any improvement in his father's condition.

Fred Gordon continues to make repairs and improvements on his residence situated on Church street. The latest is the placing of a dormer window in the ell roof.

Sunday night lightning did considerable damage on the Locke's Mills road near Dana Phillips' old barn—in which Mr. Chapman has his hay—striking two trees and cutting off the telephone wire.

Owing to the serious condition of the pastor's father, he cannot fill the pulpit of the M. E. church next Sunday, himself, but is arranging for a supply for both this church and also at Locke's Mills. Sunday School at the church at 12 m. sure. Will all teachers and scholars try to be present. All the pastor's engagements must be cancelled for a week or so.

Dana B. Hall, the veteran ox-teamster, is in Waterville this week to drive in the pulling matches at the Central Maine Fair. He will handle the cattle of B. J. Libby, for whom he has driven sixteen falls, at various fairs, including Rigby, Bangor, Lewiston, and many minor shows. Mr. Hall drove at Norway last week, taking a good share of purses.

In Paris, Sept. 14, Mrs. Helen (Outing), wife of Dr. A. C. Hamlin of Bangor, aged 85 years.

In Los Angeles, Cal., Saturday, September 17, 1904, Charles A. Ingalls, youngest son of Rowena Hills and Robert Ingalls of Shelburne, N. H. (Funeral at Shelburne, N. H., probably Saturday, Sept. 24. Friends will be given notice of the day.)

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Henry H. Hasting, Esq., of Bethel Hill was in this village Monday. A light shower with very heavy thunder passed over this place Sunday evening.

Miss Mina Tyler has taken the place of Miss Lottie E. Mason in the Dennison store and postoffice.

Mrs. George Luxton recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burgess, in Shelburne, N. H.

Charles L. Pike of Seattle, Wash., was with his brothers and sisters here Sunday, but left Monday to return to his home.

Mrs. L. B. Allen and J. Edwin Pike were visited Sunday by their brother, W. W. Pike and wife and Mrs. J. D. Pike of Groveton, N. H., and all went to the once noted mineral spring in Northwest Bethel.

Mr. Allan McLeod, Mrs. Lucinda E. Bean and her sister, Cora J. Mason, joined the World's Fair party which left town Monday. This is Mr. Bowler's third trip and he intends to go again in October.

Be what thou seemest; live thy creed: Hold up, to earth the torch divine; Be what thou prayest to be made; Let the great Master's steps be thine. Sow love, and taste its fruitage pure; Sow peace, and reap its harvest bright; Sow sunbeams on the rock and moor, And find a harvest home of light.

Sour Stomach.

When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality too rich, sour stomach is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Masticate the food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals, and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomach after eating, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablet and the sour stomach may be avoided.

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NORTH ALBANY.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Pingree went to Rumford Falls Saturday, Sept. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Towne and Mrs. Emogene Brown went onto Grover Mountain, Tuesday of last week, and brought off a lot of nice blueberries.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bennett attended the fair and visited friends in Norway three days last week.

Ed Rolf and wife, Ethel Pingree, and Blanche Kennerson were at the Norway Fair Wednesday.

Bert Brown is to start the hay press again this week.

Duncan McLeod and Mr. Percy O'Brien have taken a contract in Mason and now have a crew in the woods.

Dean Pingree is boarding at home, going to and from school on his bicycle.

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SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mrs. Arthur Hall of Buckfield is visiting her father, Mr. A. C. T. King.

Frances L. King is going to work for Mrs. G. A. Allen in her millinery store, Norway.

Sadie S. Young of Lincoln, Neb., is visiting her sister, Mrs. N. G. Elder, for a few weeks.

Rev. J. H. Little and family have returned from Harpswell.

Mr. Charles R. Dunham and wife have returned from a few days' visit in Monteval.

Mabel G. Hathaway has returned to her school in Rockport, Mass.

Lucella Crockett goes to Maynard, Mass., and Maude Carter to Dorchester, Mass., where they have excellent positions.

Jessie C. Tolman has a Cecelian piano player.

Lena Hicks of Beverly, Mass., is visiting her father, B. F. Hicks.

C. F. Berry of Portland was in town Wednesday.

The Relief Corps will have a supper in G. A. R. Hall next Saturday evening; usual prices.

Has Sold a Pile of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for more than twenty years and it has given entire satisfaction. I have sold a pile of it and can recommend it highly.—JOSEPH McELHINEY, Linton, Iowa. You will find this remedy a good friend when troubled with a cough or cold. It always affords quick relief and is pleasant to take.

HANOVER.

The schools at Hanover commenced two weeks ago. Miss Myrtle Jordan of Dummer, N. H., teaches the village school and Miss Annie Akers teaches at the upper district.

Mr. Harrison Dodge and wife who have been visiting at Mr. J. B. Roberts' returned to their home in Peabody, Mass., last Saturday.

W. C. Holt of Hanover, had a whist party at his camp last Friday night for the benefit of his guests; all had a fine time.

Mrs. Addie Brown who has been working for Mrs. Jim Welsh, of Rumford Falls a few weeks, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodsom Jordan, returned home from Portland last week and are now at the Lakes visiting.

Mr. Edwin Brown who has been guiding a surveying party at Wilson's Mills, is now turning dowels for G. L. Smith.

Mr. Clarence Harlowe has finished turning dowels for Mr. Smith and is camping out.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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GRAFTON.

E. B. Farrar was in Bethel Friday.

John Lewis was in town recently with his usual line of goods.

Elmer and Glynne Brooks went to Andover Sunday.

Miss Lillian Brown of Portland is visiting her mother, Mrs. N. M. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Jenkins, and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brooks attended the Norway Fair last week.

Mrs. F. C. Wood of Randolph, N. H., made a short visit with her mother, Mrs. A. W. Farrar, last week.

J. S. Lane of Newry was in town Sunday, and Monday went to the Lakes.

A. M. Otis has been visiting at his home here, and Sunday started for Rangeley where he will log this winter.

A Power for Good.

The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant effect are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot, of Albany, Ga., says: "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was it did me more good than calomel, blue mass or any other pill I ever took and at the same time the effect was pleasant. Little Early Risers are certainly an ideal pill." Sold by G. R. Wiley.

NEWRY.

Willie Tuell from North Paris and lady friend are visiting his sister, Mrs. A. B. Frost.

Jimmy and Bessie Spiney visited last Sunday at Amos Frost's.

Frank Douglass hauled a load of his corn to Bethel last week.

Quite a number of people went from this place to Norway Fair.

Clarence Bailey went last Friday to his winter's work for Mr. Otis.

Born, Sept. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor, a son.

Mary—Sponge the pimples with warm water. You need a blood tonic, would advise you to take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It drives away all eruptions. 25 cents. Tea or tablet form.

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Impure Blood

Aid the Sarsaparilla by keeping the bowels regular with Ayer's Pills.

GILEAD.

The farmers have commenced harvesting their crops.

Corn will not be as good as in years past; potatoes are turning out finely.

Mrs. William Chapman recently fell and broke both bones in one wrist.

Miss Anna Watson and friend of Portland visited at her sister's, Mrs. J. E. Richardson, Sunday.

Mr. George Larraby has moved his family into one of J. W. Bennett's cottages.

The Cornet Band was invited to Shelburne, N. H., Saturday night.

Miss Edna Wight went to Norway Fair last week.

Rev. Henry Farrar gave a very interesting discourse Sunday afternoon on the subject, Sunday School.

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RUMFORD FALLS.

Miss Mabel Kidder, who is employed in the telephone exchange, spent Sunday in Portland where she was joined by her mother, Mrs. George Kidder, who has been spending the past five weeks in Massachusetts, and who returned to Rumford, Monday with her daughter.

Miss Carrie Bowers of Lewiston spent Sunday in Rumford Falls as a guest of Mrs. Jennie McGivney at the home of A. E. Stearns, Esq., on Somerset street.

New head gates are being put in at the electric light station by the Rumford Falls Light & Water Co., to turn the water of the river into the canal leading to the station.

A substantial stone foundation is being put under the H. R. Oldham blacksmith shop on Canal street. This is a good sized wooden block with two stories. Mr. Oldham will renovate and remodel the lower story, building a bay window on the front, with large windows, and will lease the floor for a restaurant. Already several parties desirous of obtaining the situation have made application to Mr. Oldham.

Mrs. Daisy Ferten, who accidentally shot herself Tuesday of last week is resting very comfortably.

Miss Grace Young went, Wednesday, to Auburn where she played the wedding march at the marriage of Mr. Fred O. Eaton of Rumford Falls to Miss Mae Grierson of Auburn. Miss Grierson has been for the past two seasons in the employ of Miss C. J. Hall, the milliner, and has many friends who will be glad to welcome her back to a permanent residence in town. The newly-married couple will reside in the house on Franklin street, owned by Mr. Eaton and until very recently occupied by Mrs. Albert Daggett. Mr. Eaton is town clerk and clerk of the Rumford Falls Light & Water Company.

Five great log piles loom up on the further bank of the canal where the International Paper Company has a crew of men and a donkey engine at work hoisting

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

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the logs from the canal for use later in the season.

Miss Frances L. Phelps and Mr. Mabel Godwin are spending a week in Portland and Boston, and will return the latter part of the week.

An Educational Mass meeting will be held in Rumford Falls, Oct. 10. This meeting will deal with subjects which interest every teacher and parent, and should be well attended.

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NEW YORK CITY.

Through the Deerfield Valley and Hoosac Mountains—Steamer Sail Down the Hudson River to New York: Back by Steamer and Train—All for \$5.00.

The vacation season in New England takes a new start in the fall of the year. The early vacationists have a desire to secure one more respite from the cares of business for a day or two, and a great many have made their preparations for a trip during autumn, when nature adorns in her most beautiful colors the foliage; when the song birds are whistling their farewell refrains; when the atmosphere is invigorating and healthful and the orchards are rosy in their display of mellow and ruddy fruit. This is the month when the Boston & Maine Railroad announces its grand annual New York Excursion from Boston, on October 6th, and from Providence, Worcester, Waltham, Concord, Ayer, Fitchburg, Athol, Gardner, Orange, Millers Falls and Greenfield, October 5th.

Going from Boston the train passes through Cambridge, Waltham, Concord and other beautiful historical towns, noted for their scenic beauty and their historic and colonial association, on to Fitchburg and Gardner, passing through a region famed for its pastoral beauty, and finally entering into the famed Deerfield valley. The view from the passing train is perfect; winding along the course of the silvery Connecticut, the train follows towards the lofty mountains which we are gradually approaching. We enter the Hoosac Tunnel, and, emerging, Mt. Greylock, overlooking the town of North Adams, greets us. Williamstown, the site of Williams College, next appears to view, and here the Berkshire Hills in all their beauty may be witnessed to advantage. On we go through New York State, rushing through the busy city of Troy, and crossing the river to Albany. At Albany the train journey is ended. Embarking you can stop over night in Albany and visit the numerous interesting sights and take the day line steamer sail down the Hudson, or go down on the night line boats the same night, viewing the Hudson River scenery by searchlight and moonlight.

The inspiring and magnificent vision of the Hudson River flowing calmly and serenely at the foot of the giant Catskills is perhaps one of the most beautiful landscape pictures in this country.

The steamer passes Rondout, Kingston, Esopus, made famous by Judge Parker's debut into politics, West Point, Poughkeepsie, sailing under the noted bridge, and from the decks of the steamer, you can look up at the remnants of the Old Palisades; at the cliffs of Dunderberg and the rocky promontory of historic Stony Point the busy appearance of the bay is a scene worth witnessing—hundreds of craft of every description, darting back and forth, or weighed at anchor, while their cargoes are busily being cared for, present a scene wholly unknown except to voyagers in New York Bay. The docks at Desbrosses Street and you are in the great Metropolis. New York has attractions too

varied to mention; and everybody knows just what he likes best—some for the parks; the stores; the theatres; the museums; or a trip to Coney Island. You can stop in New York until October 8th on Boston tickets and until October 7th on other tickets. If you desire, a stop over of ten days may be had by payment of \$2.00 at the Pier Line Office and depositing your ticket before the final limit of extension. Leaving New York, the palatial steamers of the Fall River & Providence Lines, according to destination, carry the passengers for return trip. \$5.00 via the Boston & Maine Railroad pays for the round trip.

Tickets will be on sale at Boston City Ticket office, 322 Washington Street and at Union Station, Boston, on and after September 24th, 1904, also at above mentioned stations.

A beautiful illustrated souvenir guide booklet, telling all about the trip and describing the interesting points passed, will be mailed to any address free, by General Passenger Department, Boston & Maine Railroad, Boston. Send your address, requesting one, and it will be mailed to you.

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World's Fair News-Notes.
The Grenadier Guards Band, England's foremost band, is now playing an extended engagement at the World's Fair. The band is one of the oldest in the world and visited America in 1872 at the time of the peace jubilee in Boston.

Two thousand cattle entries for the World's Fair Live Stock Show have been received. They include representatives from the herds of all the prominent breeders of different types of cattle in the United States and Canada. A number of breeders from England have entered the competition.

Nine Chippewa Indians from White Earth, Minnesota, have joined the camp of the Red Men near the Indian School at the World's Fair.

Bibles in nearly every human language in the world are shown in the exhibit of the American Bible Society in the Palace of Liberal Arts at the World's Fair.

A United States flag made entirely of corn husks, the work of the High School girls of Atchinson county, Kansas, floats over that State's exhibit in the Palace of Agriculture at the World's Fair.

The Stomach is the Man.
A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough good food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat, cleanses and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Sold by G. L. Wiley.

Souvenir of World's Fair.

The most artistic publication gotten up in connection with the World's Fair at St. Louis is issued by the Grand Trunk Railway system, and thousands of copies have been sent out to interested parties who have applied for them. There is a limited supply remaining, and all those who intend paying a visit to the "Ivory City" should write at once for a copy. Maps of the City of St. Louis and the World's Fair Grounds, together with a comprehensive description of the Universal Exposition, and interesting information as to routes and side trips is contained in the brochure sent free on application to J. E. O'Connor, Agent.

ELECTRIC POST INVENTION.

Letters to Be Carried at Speed of 250 Miles an Hour.
The electric post invention by which letters and parcels are to be

carried at 250 miles an hour is shortly to be put to a practical test. A syndicate has been formed with a capital of \$150,000, divided into 60,000 six per cent. cumulative preference shares of \$1 each, and 90,000 ordinary shares of \$1 each. Two-thirds of the amount wanted will be raised in Italy and France, and one-third only in England. The syndicate is formed to take over the patents from Count Taegri Piscicelli, the inventor, and to develop the system. Among the objects aimed at are the following:

(1) To demonstrate the invention on a practical scale.
(2) To negotiate with the Governments and railway companies of various countries for user of the system. The Directors are the Duc d'Uzes, the Duc de Morny, the Marquis des Cars, the Comte de Pradere, Sir Theodore Fry, Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Henry S. Saunders, (a director of the Marconi Company), Count Piscicelli, and Mr. William Digby—the last two joining the board after allotment. England, Italy, France and Spain are represented on the directorate.

If the inventor's claims are established in the forthcoming test it is not too much to say that the postal service will be entirely revolutionized. In effect the new system aims at providing by automatic means for all the requirements to which postal correspondence is subject from the moment it is put in the letter box to the time of its arrival at the office from which the postman receives it for delivery to its ultimate destination, and at no greater cost than at present. The present method of railway conveyance will be superseded, mail-sorting and express will no longer be necessary, and the army of collectors and sorters will find their occupation gone.

A continuous dispatch will be possible from town to town and from district to district, and so completely will space be annihilated that a letter posted in London will be in Manchester in less than an hour, and in Glasgow in under two hours. The system, it will be seen, promises in many cases to be a serious rival to the telegraph. In appearance it will resemble nothing so much as a form of electric railway. Wires will be carried from place to place on high poles, and on these lines the boxes which are to carry the letters and the parcels will run. The carriers, which will be made of aluminium, will weigh about 1-1/2 cwt. each. They will be fitted with small motors, and equipped with wheels which will grip the wires as securely as if they were fastened to them. In addition to supporting the wires, the poles can be used as collecting boxes, and by an ingenious arrangement the letters as they drop into the receptacle are marked with the date and the hour, and the stamps are obliterated somewhat in the same way as is done at the post-office. At stated intervals the receptacle is automatically drawn up to the height of the wires, where it deposits its contents into the carrier, which, sees that every pole does its duty before it returns to the central office.

The working of the invention, however, must be unfolded gradually, and for the moment the chief aim of the promoters is to establish that the system is of practical value for transmitting letters at a speed of 250 miles an hour. The demonstration is to be given in Italy. There are several reasons why it will take place there. Count Piscicelli is an Italian, like the other annihilator of space, Mr. Marconi—who, by the way, has great hopes of the electric post invention—the King of Italy has deeply interested himself in the invention all along, and the Italian Government has offered the inventor every facility for putting his system to a practical test. It has been arranged that the demonstration will take place outside Rome. The original intention was to erect the installation between two large towns—Rome and Naples were mentioned—but the short distance would not have admitted of a fair test of speed. To overcome this difficulty Count Piscicelli devised a scheme by which the test can be applied within a radius of 12-12 miles. The installation will be erected in a sort of oblong within which will be two circles. The carriers when set in motion at the centre from a building which will represent a postoffice will be able to run indefinitely by a kind of "lopping-the-loop" process. The demonstration if successful will be all the more valuable under this arrangement because all kinds of curves will have to be negotiated.

The railway companies, whose service will be greatly affected by the invention at work. It is claimed by the promoters that the electric post system is not a rival but an adjunct to the railways, because by the system the lines could be relieved of all the light traffic such as mails, and small parcels of every kind could be carried by the electric post, which could be erected alongside the existing railways. Leading engineers of many countries have also expressed their desire to attend. At the demonstration the inventor will not only explain how the mails and parcels can be handled, but will carry out the work in every detail.

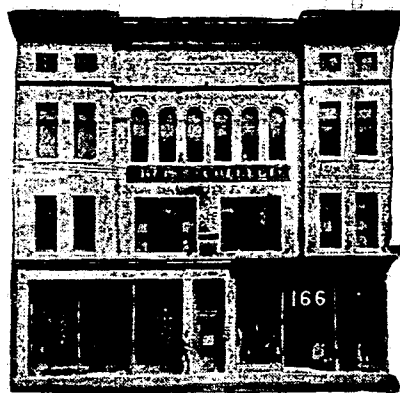
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The Guidances of Reason.
The villagers were all gathered round the little store, talking about Sam Jones's lost coat. It was a "two year old," and had strayed out of the pasture lot the day before. Sam was worried about it, the neighbors had all been out looking for it without success, and no one seemed to know where to look for it.

Jim stood there, looking on and listening. Jim was a tall, lank young fellow, regarded as half witted by some persons and as foolish by others. "I think I could find your horse," he said to Sam Jones.

"You?" Why Jim, how do you think you could find him when we have had the best men in town out looking for him?" "Wal," said Jim, "I could try, couldn't I?"

"Yes," answered the owner, "you can try, and if you find him I'll give you a dollar."

"All right," said Jim, and walked away on his search. To the surprise of all, he returned in less than half an hour, leading the missing horse by a rope tied round his neck.

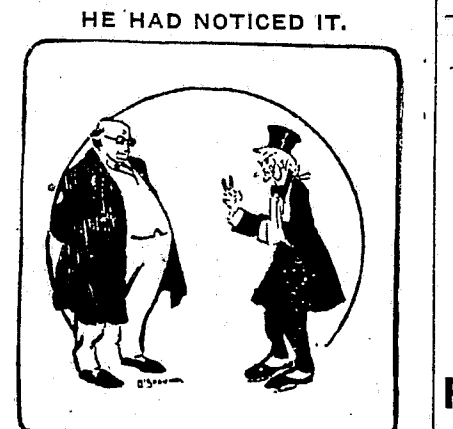
"Well, well!" said Jones, as he took the horse and paid Jim the dollar. "How in the world did you find him so quick?"

Jim answered in his long-drawn-out words, "Wal, I thought 'Now if I was a horse, where would I go?' And so I went there and he had."—Youth's Companion.

None for Him.

Foot Light—I see the longest continuous stairway in the world is that which leads to the tower of the Philadelphia City Hall. It has 598 steps.

Miss Sue Brette—Let's go over there and play Sappho?—Yonkers Statesman.



HE HAD NOTICED IT.
Doctor—During the spring months it is natural for people to have a sluggish feeling.
Mr. Hen Peck—I know it. My wife is affected that way. She slugged me twice this morning.

Her Hand in It.
Hortense—Do you know why Edgar broke off his engagement with Helen?
Hazel—I have an idea.
"I see Hattie is wearing the same engagement ring."
"I thought I saw her hand in it."—Yonkers Statesman.

The "Glorious Fourth."
In olden times "twas called The Day we Celebrate. But times have changed. 'Tis now The Day we Mutilate.
—Chicago Tribune.

And Yet So Far.
"Now," remarked the dog, who was engaged in a vain attempt to catch his tail, "now I may truly say that I can see my finish."—Harvard Lampoon.

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Green—Peckem tells me that his wife is an excellent manager.
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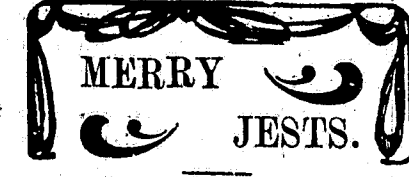
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"Twas just upon my tongue!

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Not Gray—no, no; nor Green, nor Geer; Not Gladstone—wait a bit, Gloucester? No, G—Simmons! Yes! Old Simmons! That is it!—Century.

Doubtful Compliment.
Miss Gabbleton—So Mr. Coldcash paid me a compliment, did he?
Miss Cautique—Yes; his attention was attracted to your mouth, and he said it was simply immense.

Substitute Wanted.
Jones—Some satisfactory substitutes for coal have been invented.
Brown—Yes, but what we really need is a satisfactory substitute for coal bills.—Detroit Free Press.

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THE JUDICIAL MIND.

A traveler stopped at the gate of a fine country mansion, and said to a grave-looking person smoking on the porch:

"Sir, will you be good enough to tell me if this is the road to Cow-burg?"

"It is," was the reply.
"And may I inquire the distance?"

"Ten miles."
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"The matter was not before me," returned the other. "As to your ability to cross a river of that kind I was entirely willing to hear argument."

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THE JUDICIAL MIND.

A traveler stopped at the gate of a fine country mansion, and said to a grave-looking person smoking on the porch:

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HOW TO HAVE VEGETABLES EARLY.

They Must Not Be Forced Forward Too Rapidly.

The making and sowing of hot-beds is a much simpler matter than the subsequent care of them. The foundation for successful gardening is a good and timely stock of plants. They must not be forced forward too rapidly, or the result will be a quantity of weak plants, overgrown as to height and deficient in stockiness. Such will not make as good growth after being put in the open ground as shorter, stockier plants, and are much less hardy than the latter. Consequently the beds must be watched as carefully to prevent overheating as to prevent freezing. A little experience will show when the beds are too warm. An excessive amount of steam, the plants looking pale and wilted, is a certain indication of this trouble. The remedy demanded is an infusion of fresh air, which must be given carefully, and in small doses. The sashes should be raised slightly along the south edge to prevent the drifting in of a cold north wind, but should not be kept open long enough at a time to reduce the temperature many degrees. As the plants attain some growth, the more they can be accustomed to fresh air the better it will be for them, as then the change when transplanted to open ground will not be so sudden. By far the best way of "hardening off" plants, however, is to transplant them first into cold-frames, which are protected beds having no bottom heat, and from these, on pleasant days leave the cover off entirely, and gradually substitute for the glass at night a cover of prepared plant-feed cloth.

Unreeling and Stretching Barb Wire. The general introduction of barb wire fencing has brought out a great variety of devices for handling the wire. One of the latest and best of these is shown in the illustrations.

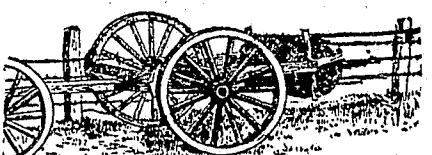


FIG. 1.—DEVICE FOR UNROLLING WIRE.

Two pieces of scantling are attached to the rear end of a wagon from which the box has been removed, as shown in figure 1. A slot near the end of each admits the round stick thrust through the reel of barb wire to serve as an axle. The end of the barb wire is fastened to the fence post, the team in front of the wagon started up, and some three hundred yards of wire unreel. Then the hind axle of the wagon is made fast by a chain or rope to the nearest fence post, the hind wheel nearest the fence lifted from the ground and held there by a wagon-jack, or piece of board. One turn is then made in the barb wire, as shown at A, figure 2, to which is attached one end of a piece of smooth wire, some ten feet long. The other end is



FIG. 2.—FASTENING THE WIRE. placed between two screws, b b, in the end of the hub, as shown in the illustration. The wire thus fastened is coiled around the hub, and the operator can tighten it and the barb wire to which it is attached, by employing the leverage of the spokes and felloes.

Worth Reading Twice.

Before you enlarge production, cheapen its cost.

The moon is never right while the seed-bed is cloddy.

Country roads are too often paved with good intentions.

No man ever reaped foul wheat from clean ground and clean seed.

When prices are low is just the time to improve your farm animals.

A cross may be better than a full blood for feeding, but never for breeding.

Fortune's favorites are the men whose thoughts make ways for their actions.

If there were more drains on the farm there would be fewer druggists in the village.

Make easy and short the way to the butcher of the animal that has learned to break fences.

There is some sentiment about having an ice house on the farm, but there is at least as much financial wisdom.

Pay cash, if you have to borrow money to do it. The banker will charge you less than the merchant for credit.

Good farming consists as much in overcoming adverse circumstances as in improving fully favorable opportunities.

On an average, the man with the fewest clouds in the field in the fall has the most wheat in the field the next summer.

Let the hogs clean up the waste apples and peaches under the trees and there will be fewer waste fruits next year. There will also be better hogs this year.

You cannot increase your products without increasing your expenses; but production increases at a faster rate than expenses increase. Herein is the greater profit of good farming.

DAIRY AND CREAMERY

TO KEEP BUTTER FRESH.

Fluoride of Sodium Used in France for That Purpose

According to Thornwell Haynes, United States Consul at Rouen, the French National Society of Agriculture has recently received from one of its members an interesting communication on the preservation of butter by fluoride of sodium. The writer says this substance is not hurtful unless administered in doses of some 30 grains (463 grains) a day for animals weighing 125 pounds.

From one-quarter to one gram in a pulverulent state suffices for two pounds of butter, which it will preserve indefinitely. It is stated that the strength of the fluoride, so far as its effect upon the health is concerned, is diminished one-half by mixing. If, however, it retains its full strength, no inconveniences can result, as many physicians prescribe as much as 40 centigrams (6.16 grains) every twenty-four hours in order to regulate digestion.

It is further stated that the fluoride can be used only in infinitesimal quantities, as more than half a gram to a pound of butter renders it unpalatable, but that instead of making the butter indigestible and less nutritive, the fluoride, when used properly, is considered an aid to digestion.—The New York Times.



THE CALF GOT THERE FIRST.

Use Lard When Milking.

Geo. D. Willard very strongly recommends the use of lard upon cow's teats at milking time. He says: It is our plan to have a small can of lard conveniently near where the milking is done, and in case of warts, ulcers, chaps or bruises it is applied regularly to the parts affected after each milking until the trouble is removed. A slight scratch or sore may look insignificant, but be painful to the cow when grasped by the strong hand of the milkman. As the sore is so often broken open during milking it requires a long time to heal unless given attention. It sometimes happens that large teats become hard and rough after weaning the calf; these are soon rendered soft and pliable by use of lard. Rubbing with lard will also quickly reduce inflammation of the udder. It will be no loss of time for the dairymen to attend to these teat troubles, for the cows will stand better while being milked, and there will be much less "crying over spilt milk," and a greater yield accrue at the same time. A veterinarian might advise something better than lard; I have found it sufficient in keeping teats and udder of 25 cows in good condition, the important features being timeliness and persistent application.

SOME DAIRY NOTES.

Our very best dairymen do not all agree upon the point of feeding the cows when on full pasture, but we have yet to see a case where a small ration of bran and clean hay did not pay, even when the cows were on the very best of pasture.

Cows on part feed, with short pasture, should be watered at least three times a day. A cow will fail in milk quicker from lack of water than from lack of food.

Dairying in Mexico.

There are millions of cattle in Mexico, but good butter is not to be found away from the large cities. Unclean cream is churned by being whipped with a forked stick or shaken in a bottle. Butter so made is spongy and soon spoils. It is offered for sale in the markets at from seventy-five cents to \$1 a pound, silver. The whey is compressed into dark gray cakes called queso that no American would eat, and are quickly sold at ten cents a pound. A few years ago an American established himself in business in Mexico City. He sent to the United States for a lot of bottles, made contracts with farmers who had cows and began delivering milk in carts all over the city. His profits have amounted to \$600 a month and he is getting rich hand over fist.

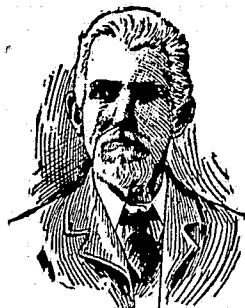
Some Ancient Butter.

A Brussels antiquary recently gave a dinner in which he served his guests with butter taken from a well in Scotland, where it had lain 400 years in cold storage.

Couldn't Lift Ten Pounds.

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A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Corton will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Doan-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Professional Advice:—"She's going to break up housekeeping," said the doctor's wife, "and I'm going to take her parlor carpet for one-third what it cost—" "Well," said the doctor, "see that it's well shaken before taking."

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Up and Away: Hi Tragedy—"How did you like Iowa?" Lowe Comedy—"Well, there was one town there I'll never forget. We were simply carried away with it." Hi Tragedy—"You don't say?" Lowe Comedy—"Yes a cyclone arrived about an hour after we did."

PARIS.

F. A. Briggs is at work on the section at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Chandler Garland are visiting at Mrs. Justina Drake's.

Mrs. Scott Briggs is on the sick list.

Miss Catherine Maxim had a number of sheep killed recently by dogs or bears.

WAGES ON THE FARM.

Average Amount Paid to Farm Laborers in United States.

The Department of Agriculture, through its 23,000 agents and correspondents in the United States, has collected some valuable facts on farm labor, a summary of which is given as follows:

The total number of farm laborers is placed at 4,410,910, of whom more than half are actual farmers and members of their families. The remainder, 2,044,762 come properly under the head of farm laborers, and the statistics of wages deal with them alone. Of this number there are included 222,000 females, and the bulk of these are employed on cotton plantations of the members of farmers' families about twice as many female laborers are recorded, but here also it is mainly in the southern states that the women and girls work in the fields.

The latest average for the entire country of farm wages, without board, is \$22.14 monthly, against \$20.23 in 1899, and still less in every earlier year since the period of scarcity just before the Civil War. The low point was \$16.42 in 1879. Wages of farm labor with board averaged \$16.40 against \$14.07 in 1899 and \$10.43 in 1879. These figures apply to classes of employment all the year round and the long period of comparative inactivity in winter accounts in part for the apparent low wages as compared with other pursuits. The hours of labor range from about nine to thirteen according to the season. In harvest time when extra help is hired in great number the average for the entire country is \$1.53 per day against \$1.37 in 1899 and \$1.14 in 1895. Best figures of day wages are reported for the spring wheat states, where the average rose to \$2.67.

Selecting Seed Potatoes.

On selecting potatoes, the quality of the potato is an important matter to be considered. Some varieties are much better than others. Among the early varieties, the Early Rose and the Early Ohio stand at the head of the list, both in yield and quality. Those varieties planted early seldom fail to produce well. Although it may be quite dry during the spring, the ground, if mellow, will be moist enough to produce a fair crop, and of excellent quality.

The potato is influenced by the state of the weather during the time of its maturing. If favorable the yield will be large, if the weather is very dry the yield will be light. Early Rose and Early Ohio may yield well, planted as late as the last of June or the first of July, if the weather is favorable; but the weather is seldom favorable for such late planting.

The Senator Dunlap Strawberry. The berries are handsome, with a slight neck, showing its Warfield parentage. They are bright and glossy, with a hull that remains fresh and green a long time after being picked. At first glance the berries do not appear to possess great firmness. It is a medium early and holds out well; a perfect bloomer, an abundant and reliable cropper, a fine table berry and a good canner. In short, a good all round variety. We recommend it especially to new beginners for main cropping, as the plants are tough and hardy and sure to make a good stand. If it does not please you when it comes to fruit, you will be greatly in the minority.—Exchange.

TRUE'S ELIXIR

A Contrasting Picture.

Preceding an article on "George William Curtis: Friend of the Republic," by Carl Schurz, in the October McClure's, the editor makes this pertinent comment:

"It has been the unpleasant task of McClure's Magazine to publish recently some very ugly stories of civic and commercial disgrace. The men whose deeds we have set forth we have called 'Enemies of the Republic.' This title, terrible as it is, has been applied without malice or undue harshness. We believe it to be but too well deserved, and that, unchecked, such men will ruin the fairest experiment yet made in democratic institution. In sharp contrast to these sordid histories we publish below the sketch of a man who truly merits the title of 'Friend of the Republic.' George William Curtis cultivated the highest ideal of republican government. He realized clearly that the surest way to ruin such a government is to allow to become a ruling influence in it a class of men who substitute personal and party interest for public good. His conception of the duty of citizenship in a republic was so lofty that he considered it his first business in life to help un-earthen abuses and dislodge the powers of evil in our public concerns. With such facts of our industrial and municipal life before them as have been given by Miss Tarbell, Mr. Steffens, and Mr. Baker, in the last two years, it is surely unnecessary for us to insist to the readers of McClure's Magazine on the need to-day in our social life of men of the Curtis type. It must be obvious, too, to them why we take deep satisfaction in publishing Mr. Schurz's inspiring sketch of this ideal 'Friend of the Republic,' which was prepared originally as an address and delivered at unveiling of the bust of Mr. Curtis in the Lenox Library, New York."

Letter to E. C. Rowe

Bethel, Me.

Dear Sir: Let's talk it right out before folks; there's nothing to hide in your business or ours; if there is, we'd better hide ourselves.

We are in trade to make money; so are you. We make it by saving our customer's money; so do you. Our object, in trade, is to save your customers' wood from rotting and iron and steel and tin from rusting; yours the same.

We work for thousands of property owners; you for a few. We can do some things that you can't do; we have the facilities. You can do some things that we can't; you are there. Let us work together; be faithful to one-another. We can serve our customers better by working together and being faithful to one-another.

Your dollar, put into our paint, will paint more feet than in any other way; and the paint will last longer. This saves your money, and saves your customer's money. That's all there is in our whole business.

Yours truly
F. W. DEVOE & Co.

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P. S. G. R. Wiley sells our paint.

"What I want is the pole," modestly says Capt. Peary. Most men are after the persimmons.

"Can you gimme a bite, ma'am?" said the ragged hobo. "I'm hungry enuff ter eat a hoss." "I regret to say," replied the kind lady, "that we are just out of horses; but I'll call the dog."

From 148 to 92 Pounds.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight and health and strength." Sold, by G. R. Wiley.

BOY KING'S PALACE.

Where Alfonso Lives, and How They Guard Him in His Sleep.

The Infanta Isabella, aunt of the king, a widow of 60 years of age, and the most popular person in Spain, formerly had a large suite of apartments on the main floor of the palace, but with her usual delicacy and thoughtfulness she vacated them after the recent coronation, in order that they might be ready for the queen mother in case the king should marry. Isabella now lives in a private palace within a few blocks of the royal residence and is a daily visitor there.

The young king and his mother have large suites on the front of the palace, facing the city, and the location of their bedrooms is indicated by the invariable palm leaves attached to the balcony, according to the Spanish custom. You will see similar palm leaves hanging to the balconies of nearly all the residences in town, those of the poor as well as the rich.

A sheet of white paper tied to the iron railing means that the room is for rent, a palm leaf means that it is the sleeping chamber of a pious Catholic, who brought it home from church on the last Palm Sunday and placed it there to keep away evil spirits, diseases and misfortunes. It remains there the entire year until the next anniversary, when a new palm, fresh from the blessing of the priest, is substituted.

The king has very comfortable quarters much more homelike than are usually found in royal palaces. He has a series of drawing rooms, a dining room larger than that at the White House at Washington, a library with about 5,000 volumes upon the shelves, mostly modern publications and current literature in all the European languages; a music room a smoking room, billiard room, gymnasium and study, which is also used as an office.

His sleeping chamber is large and airy and contains two beds, one of which is occupied by his private secretary or one of his tutors, or aides, as they are termed since the coronation—Maj. Loria, Maj. Casteljon or Count Andino. He is never allowed to sleep alone, and in an adjoining room Prudencio, his venerable valet, while two of his body guards are always in the anteroom which must be passed before his chamber is reached.

Some of these rooms are occupied in common with the queen mother but she has her own suite of five or six rooms adjoining, with access to the flat roof of a long wing which is occupied by the guards and the intendente, or superintendent of the palace. This is arranged so that awnings may be dropped in hot weather, and is decorated with palms and other plants and flowers. It also gives the king and queen an opportunity for exercise, the roof being about 400 feet long and 40 feet wide.—Chicago Record Herald.

PEDESTRIANISM IN EUROPE.

Walking Craze Which Has Swept England and France.

"The walking craze," which swept over England and subsided some time ago, left in its wake a wholesome revival in country walking for health and pleasure. But at its height the fever of club and other forms of long-distance walking for prizes was an amazing phenomenon. From England the enthusiasm crossed over seas, and Australia has been in the thick of it up to the present time. On one of these recent competitive walks, with hundreds of entries, the route led up a mountain. Despite insistent warnings, prompted by the approach of a storm, the pedestrians kept on, were caught in a snowstorm, and scores of them badly hurt. There were several deaths from exposure and a long list of hospital patients as the net result.

In France the "club walking" is now raging with Gallic fury of zeal. At a recent event of the kind nearly a thousand scholars from the higher classes of schools in and around Paris were starters. Vast crowds lined the course and cheered the struggling army from start to finish. The wave has not crossed the Atlantic, but a microbe or two may have gotten past quarantine, for in this land where walking for pleasure is a vanishing pastime. Assemblyman Howard Conkling, of New York, has recently finished a walk of 225 miles, for health and pleasure. He reported that he had never experienced a more enjoyable ten-day's vacation; but the average American citizen will be likely to comment: "Why did he walk if he had the price of a ride?"—Illustrated Sporting News.

King Edward as a Fireman.

By actively assisting to subdue the flames at his racing stables Lord Rosebery is added to the famous people who have turned fireman on occasion. Though we now learn that it is not true that the Pope superintended the work of putting out the fire at the Vatican, the German Emperor was certainly well to the front when there was an outbreak in the new palace a year ago. King Edward, too, displayed the utmost energy when a fire took place at Marlborough House in July, 1895. He took command of the water taps and superintended the filling and passing of jugs and buckets, and the flames not abating, he took further measures. When Capt. Shaw arrived with the brigade he found the King in his shirt sleeves and as black as a sweep, hard at work ripping up the flooring to get at the seat of the fire.—London Chronicle.

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